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Re: U. S. Application No. 10,783,399 Filed February 19, 2004  
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1. Letter of Transmittal (1 page)
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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) Group Art Unit: 6370

Serial No.: 10/783,399

) Examiner: Compton, Eric. B.

Filed: February 19, 2004

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For: Low Friction, Abrasion-Resistant  
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Letter Of Transmittal

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified new Patent Application:

1. Amendment (7 pages); and
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 page) .

**THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND IS REQUESTED TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL OTHER FEES DUE UNDER SECTION 1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.**

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 10-19, 22, 27-33, 38-41 and 44-45 were rejected in an Office Action dated January 26, 2006. In response to the Office Action, please consider the remarks provided herein and editorially amend the above-identified patent application, as follows: